BEARFACTS 1995 – 2005 Northwest Arctic Borough , Alaska [02188]

Northwest Arctic Borough is one of 27 counties in Alaska. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 2005 population of 7,381 ranked 13th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2005 Northwest Arctic Borough had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$27,147. This PCPI ranked 21st in the state and was 75 percent of the state average, \$36,261, and 78 percent of the national average, \$34,757. The 2005 PCPI reflected an increase of 8.6 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 6.9 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. In 1995 the PCPI of Northwest Arctic Borough was \$18,354 and ranked 23rd in the state. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 3.6 percent and for the nation was 4.2 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2005 Northwest Arctic Borough had a total personal income (TPI) of \$200,372*. This TPI ranked 15th in the state and accounted for 0.8 percent of the state total. In 1995 the TPI of Northwest Arctic Borough was \$122,824* and ranked 17th in the state. The 2005 TPI reflected an increase of 8.8 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 8.2 percent and the national change was 5.9 percent. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.6 percent and for the nation was 5.3 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Northwest Arctic Borough. In 2005 net earnings accounted for 63.5 percent of TPI (compared with 64.6 in 1995); dividends, interest, and rent were 5.7 percent (compared with 9.7 in 1995); and personal current transfer receipts were 30.8 percent (compared with 25.6 in 1995). From 2004 to 2005 net earnings increased 9.2 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 3.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 10.7 percent. From 1995 to 2005 net earnings increased on average 4.8 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent decreased on average 0.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 7.0 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Northwest Arctic Borough increased from \$153,727* in 2004 to \$169,976* in 2005, an increase of 10.6 percent. The 2004-2005 state change was 6.5 percent and the national change was 5.4 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1995 estimate of \$115,012* to the 2005 estimate was 4.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.5 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

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 $^{^*}$ Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.